

Clara's 2015 City Calendar/Annual Report will be distributed to all residents by mail. If you do not receive one by January 1, 2015, additional copies will be available at City Hall and the Library.

The issue will highlight City accomplishments, services and community events. A suggestion card on the back of the calendar will allow residents and businesses a convenient opportunity to submit ideas on improving City services, or to forward a compliment about a particular municipal program or the response of City staff.

Santa Clara Branding Initiative

Since February 2014, the City of Santa Clara has been in the process of exploring a new brand for the City. The goal is to promote economic growth, encourage pride in the community and add to the rich history as The Mission City. There are three phases of this process: research, strategy and creative. The City is currently in the strategy phase and welcomes the community's feedback on the work it is doing. Your input is important to the City. Please go to santaclaraca.gov/brand to review the progress to date and find ways to make your opinions known.

Housing Element

The City of Santa Clara invites you to review the update to the Housing Element for the 2015-2023 planning period. Please visit the City of Santa Clara Housing Element webpage at santaclaraca.gov/housingelement for meeting dates and to access documents pertaining to the Housing Element update.

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## **Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony**

*December 5*

Feel the spirit of an old fashioned small town Christmas! The City of Santa Clara will celebrate its Annual "Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony" on Friday, December 5 starting at 5 p.m. The tree will be lit at approximately 6:45 p.m. This year's merrymaking will be a celebration of lights and music complete with cookies and kettle corn, as well as barbequed hamburgers and hot dogs. The evening will also include a very special guest who will arrive to ring in the holiday cheer! The event is open to the public and will take place at the corner of Civic Center Drive and Lincoln Avenue in Santa Clara. Please remember to bring a canned food item for Second Harvest Food Bank. For more information, call (408) 615-3170.

### **Oath-of-Office Ceremony**

The Oath-of-Office Ceremony for newly elected Council Members is scheduled at 7 p.m. on December 16 at the City Council meeting. The ceremony will be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1500 Warburton Avenue.

### **Historic Home Tour**

*December 5 & 6*

The 36-year tradition of the Santa Clara Historic Home Tour continues with tours of four private residences. The public building this year will be the Berryessa Adobe, 373 Jefferson Street, built in the 1840s by Juan Galindo and later sold to a member of the Berryessa Family.

Homes on this year's tour include: the Fassett House, a circa 1905 Period Revival; the Mary Cameron Morrison House, a circa 1915 Vernacular Cottage, the Munch/Coeke House, a Neoclassical Bungalow; and the Rumbolz House, an historic farmhouse once surrounded by prune orchards.

Ticket prices are \$30 general admission, \$25 seniors (60+) or youths (5-21) and may be purchased at City Lights Espresso, 1171 Homestead Road. No children under the age of 5 will be admitted. If still available on the days of the tour, tickets will be sold at the door for \$35 per person.

The Board of the Harris-Lass House Museum co-sponsors the tour with the Old Quad Residents Association. Proceeds benefit historic preservation projects and other nonprofit groups in Santa Clara. For more information, visit [sc-hometour.com](http://sc-hometour.com)

where tickets may also be purchased, email [hometour@harrislass.org](mailto:hometour@harrislass.org), or call the Harris-Lass House Museum message line at (408) 249-7905.

### **Holiday Gift Fair/Family Art Day**

*December 5 & 6*

Stop by before or after the City of Santa Clara's Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, December 5 from 5:30–9 p.m. to browse through the Triton galleries and view wonderful handmade gift items made by local artists. Also enjoy a live performance by the Santa Clara Ballet at 7:30 p.m., which is presented through the Triton Free Fridays monthly performances series. The Holiday Gift Fair is also open Saturday, December 6 from 10 a.m.–5 p.m., with free art activities available from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Proceeds from sales will benefit local artisans and the Triton Museum of Art's education & exhibition programs.

### **Chorale's Holiday Concert**

*December 12 & 14*

In December 1914, German and English soldiers on the front lines of World War I set aside their weapons to sing carols in a historic impromptu truce. On the 100th anniversary of this demonstration of humanity through music, the Santa Clara Chorale will perform the carols sung at the event interspersed with readings from letters written by contemporary soldiers and seasonal choral pieces.

Two performances are scheduled: Friday, December 12 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, December 14 at 4 p.m. at Mission Santa

Clara. For ticket information, visit [scc.org/concerts](http://scc.org/concerts) or call (408) 883-4722.

### **Nutcracker Ballet Takes the Stage**

*December 13 & 14*

The Santa Clara Ballet will present its 41st annual full-length ballet production of the holiday classic "The Nutcracker" on Saturday, December 13 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 14 at 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. All performances will be at the Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway. Tickets range from \$25 to \$35.

### **Extra Refuse Set-Out**

Residents can dispose of extra, non-recyclable (e.g., foil or Mylar gift wrap and cards, wax- and plastic-coated food containers, cloth and metallic ribbons, etc.) holiday trash at no extra charge from December 26, 2014 to January 7, 2015. Place up to four additional 32-gallon garbage bags (**limit two bags per week**) next to your garbage cart on your regular collection day. Please note: due to holiday schedules (no service on December 25 and January 1), garbage, clean green, and recycling collection pickup will be one day late. If you typically have Thursday service, your area will be serviced on Friday. Friday areas will be serviced on Saturday during these two weeks. As always, please remember to recycle all non-metallic gift wrap, tissue paper, cards, boxes and tags in the blue curbside recycling cart. For more information, call (408) 615-3080.

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During the month of December, Santa